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GOOD TEST

Four City Wells Tested Show Better Than Had Expected.

Four of the city wells, which have been sunk by Contractor A. R. Porcell, have been tested with some results that are better than had been expected, and indications are very bright that the city will get better than two thousand gallons of water a minute from the fifteen wells, when the work is done, if the others show up as good as those which have been tested so far.

In all eleven of the wells are now completed and these will be tested in the near future. Only four more are to be sunk to make the fifteen that the contract calls for.

The test of the four wells follows:

Well	Gal. per min.
1	57
2	153
3	183
4	198

Total 593

Mr. Porcell has so far been paid \$8,805, including \$3,895 voted him Tuesday evening by the council. Twenty-five per cent of the money for each of the wells is retained by the city until the completion of the work, when fifteen per cent of this will be paid. The final ten per cent will be held by the city for a year pending a thorough test of the wells, when in use, to see if they will hold up to the contract number of gallons per minute.

FAMILY REUNION

The annual reunion of the Van-Leuven family was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles LaPaugh on Friday, August 16.

Sixty members of the family were present from St. Louis, Alma, Mt. Pleasant, Farwell, Elm Hall, Sumner, Ithaca, Elwell, Riverdale and Lansing. The day was spent in friendly visiting and discussions of the times gone by. At noon a bounteous dinner was served.

Mrs. Solomon LaPaugh, the oldest member of the family, who is now 83 years of age, was unable to attend. Among the younger members of the family who were present were Willis K. LaPaugh of the U. S. S. Utah, and Forest LaPaugh, who will leave September 1 for the navy.

The members of the family voted to hold the reunion in 1918 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Oliver of Elm Hall.

MORE SERVICE PINS

The Alma Record is in receipt of a further supply of service pins from the Hon. Joseph W. Fordney, congressman from this district. The pins have one, two or three stars, for the various parents who have one or more boys in the service. They may be obtained by calling at this office.

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SOME TEAM

Manager Bliss Expects Crack Team to Go Against Torbenson Nine.

Manager Bliss is laying plans for a crack base ball team with which to face the Torbenson Axle company nine when these two teams clash the latter part of the month.

The date for the encounter, which without a doubt will be the best battle staged here this year, has been changed from Wednesday, August 28, until Saturday, August 31, and the additional time is most welcome by Manager Bliss, who is rapidly rounding up new material with which to strengthen the Republic nine for the clash with this team which recently held the Giants 4 to 4.

The Torbenson Axle team will bring to Alma some of the men who have made base ball history in the big leagues, and it will be the first chance that some Alma people will have had to see these fellows who were famous only a few short years ago.

Manager Bliss is said to have also secured the services of some league stars for the Republic nine for this game, and he believes that the Truck-makers will give the Buckeyes a battle for the full route.

This game will probably be the last base ball game played here this year, and with two teams, of a class which have not been seen in Alma before, playing, it is expected that a great crowd will be at Republic field to watch the battle.

LOSING MATERIAL

Athletic Stars of Last Year Will Be Missing at Alma College.

With the opening of Alma college only three weeks away, Coach Harry Helmer is facing some propositions which have not faced him since he first came to the Presbyterian institution as the successor of W. C. Blewmaster.

Right at the start he will be forced to build anew, right from the ground up in every sport, the college having lost practically every man who wore the Maroon and Cream on the athletic field last year. These losses come from draft and enlistment, many of the freshmen enlisting just recently because of the eighteen to forty-five draft, thinking they would be immediately called to the colors. It is not expected that over one or two former athletes will be back.

This means that Helmer must work up new teams in every sport with which to represent his Alma Mater this year. As a result he is hoping for some classy material with the incoming freshman class.

This does not necessarily mean that Alma will not win championships this year. She may have all of the success that came to her a year ago. The other colleges are bound to be hit in a similar way by enlistment and draft, also possibly to the extent that Alma has.

LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

You will find the best bread in Butter Cup wrappers. 02-11-c Verne Aldrich and family enjoyed a vacation last week at Crystal Lake. Dr. E. G. Sluyter, osteopathic physician, State Savings Bank Building, Alma, both phones. 57-11

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Crandall are the proud parents of an eight pound girl which arrived at their home Friday. Mrs. Bert Thorpe and two daughters, Mildred and Marie, arrived home Monday from a two weeks' visit in Lorain and Cleveland.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Fleig of Cleveland have been visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Gallagher for the past two weeks.

Mrs. H. A. Pontine entertained her brother, P. A. Miller, and her niece, Miss Ruby Miller, of Appleton, Wis., last week.

Mrs. V. P. Cash and daughter, Miss Mildred, who are spending the summer at the Cash farm near Farwell, spent Sunday with V. P. Cash.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl E. Gallagher and Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Fleig, their guests, spent a few days at Crystal Lake the latter part of last week.

John Church was appointed Tuesday night by the city council as night policeman to succeed Allard Grove, who has resigned.

Dr. and Mrs. Thornburgh, who have been visiting in Unionville and other Missouri points for the past four weeks, have returned to their home in Alma.

J. W. Blakely, insurance agent, is again located in the former offices of Blakely & Ward in the Merchants Block on West Superior street. Union phone 26—adv.

The X-Cel-All company of this city has an advertisement in this issue of The Alma Record, calling attention to the display it will have at the Gratiot County fair at Ithaca next week.

The Woman Suffrage association of Gratiot county will have a booth at the Gratiot County fair next week, and the county chairman will be glad to meet the women who are interested in suffrage.

The ladies of the Red Cross will be at both banks for the purpose of collecting Red Cross pledges on Friday, August 23. Please remember the time and the place, and also that all pledges must be paid by October 1st.

C. R. Carr, in charge of the southern sales at the Republic Motor Truck Company Inc., is spending two weeks with his southern travelers in the territory where he is writing several contracts with large southern distributors.

L. E. Palmer, employee of The Alma Record, who was recently taken to the home of his parents in Stanton in a very serious condition, died Sunday morning. The funeral was held from the home of his parents in that place Tuesday.

Friday, August 30, at 8 a. m. in the basement of the Presbyterian church there will be a second canning kitchen for the women of Alma. Anyone is welcome. Take your products, cans and material such as sugar. Dishes are furnished at the kitchen.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert P. Cook were called to Cleveland last week by the serious illness of Mrs. Cook's sister, Mrs. Balmer. They returned home Tuesday, following a day's visit with their son, Sydney, in Detroit. On their return to Alma they received word of the death of Mrs. Balmer.

James Stauffer of Detroit naval recruiting office spent the first of the week in this city visiting with his wife. He is now a member of the same organization which was recently in Alma, which has several other former Almatites as members.

The city council Tuesday evening accepted the communication of the Republic, in which the factory asked to be allowed to run a spur from the railroad next to the plant on Bridge street, and in return the plant is to pave this street from Michigan avenue to Ferris avenue, a distance of one block.

The Alma fire department was called out Tuesday afternoon to quell a fire, which had started in the city dump, and that evening was called out again, when the blaze started up again. One stream of water played on the dump nearly all Tuesday night to stop the fire which was smoldering far underneath in the place.

The Alma Record has heard that Rev. Worth, the alleged disloyal preacher, upon whom The Record opened fire early in the year, when he was making a visit to this city, has promised the court that he will not return to his church. We have an idea that perhaps it wouldn't be safe. At the time that The Record published its story on the actions of Worth in Alma, a threat of a suit was made because of the story. It was a good bluff, but failed to scare. It did help nail Worth.

IS APPORTIONED

City of Alma Gets Ten Thousand Dollars from Primary Fund.

Bernie L. Case, county clerk, has received the apportionment of the primary money for the cities and townships of the county. The apportionment shows Alma far in the lead in school attendance over any other place in the county, and as a result is far ahead in the amount of primary funds received. The city receives almost twice as much as St. Louis, which comes second. The apportionment for the county is given below:

Alma City	1412	\$10,208 76
Arvada	354	2,559 42
Bethany	343	2,479 89
Elba	561	4,056 03
Emerson	390	2,819 79
Fulton	473	3,419 79
Hamilton	286	2,067 78
Ithaca	464	3,351 72
Lafayette	402	2,906 45
Newark	307	2,219 61
New Haven	349	2,523 27
North Shade	380	2,747 40
North Star	430	3,108 99
Pine River	440	3,181 20
St. Louis City	742	5,304 66
Seville	425	3,072 75
Sumner	405	2,428 18
Washington	472	3,412 50
Wheeler	639	4,619 97

PICARD HERE

French Officer will Speak on the Spirit of France.

Under the auspices of the Alma Chapter of the Red Cross, a great opportunity is offered to the people of Alma and Gratiot county on Monday evening, August 26th, in the Presbyterian church of Alma at eight o'clock.

At that time Lieutenant J. A. Picard, a French officer, will speak on "The Spirit of France."

Lieutenant Picard went through battles of the Marne, Ypres and Alsace. Disabled, he has spoken in many U. S. camps and to many audiences under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A. He is a member of the War Council of the Y. M. C. A. whose head is John R. Mott. A brilliant young Frenchman, his address is sure to be of the utmost interest and value at the moment; no one should miss this rare and delightful occasion.

This is a free lecture, no collection or appeal for money will be made. Through Mr. and Mrs. Francis King, whose guests Lieut. and Mme. Picard are a present, Lieut. Picard has consented to appear. Mr. L. A. Sharp will preside at the meeting. Fine music is being arranged for an adjunct to the address, and after the speaker has finished an opportunity will be given for questions from the audience.

RED CROSS SOCIAL

The Red Cross ice cream social to be given by the Elmwood Parents' club at Fred Taylor's, 128 Linden avenue, off Eastward street, is to have many good attractions.

First of all, as the event is to help the Red Cross every one of us should do his level best to make this the success of the season. The ladies are taking great pains to enlist both music and fun to entertain the crowd. A war time liberty cake of side splitting proportions is being prepared. Tickets are being sold at 10 cents.

The prize winner will "take the cake." Bows and arrows are in readiness for the archery contest with suitable prizes. Look out for the women's parade on Friday afternoon. The Kaiser's goat is to be a feature in this display.

Go and help East Alma make a good showing for that grandest of all causes—the Red Cross society.

GRATIOT MEN KILLED

Information has been received to the effect that Clarence B. Perkins of North Star and Will Field of St. Louis have been killed in action in France. This brings the total number of Gratiot's soldier dead to five, two of whom are Alma men.

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SPECIAL—WEDNESDAY

Elaine Hammerstein

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